FORM M-18 (Rev. 1995)

### STATE OF HAWAII — DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

## **Combined Monthly Return of Liquor Tax** and

# Report of Wine Gallons and Dollar Volume of Taxable Sales or Uses

(Chapter 244D)

	ERESS	Submit this return to your taxation district office with remittance Attach your check or money order for the full amount made payable to the "Hawaii State Tax Collector."			
	CATEGORIES OF	DOLLAR	WINE	TAX	TAV
	LIQUORS AND SALES	VOLUME	GALLONS	RATE	TAX
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(c x d)
	Distilled Spirits:				
	Military				
	All Others			\$5.81 per	
	Less: Nontaxable Sales*			wine gallon	
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<u> </u>	Sparkling Wine:				
	Military				
	All Others			\$2.03 per	
	Less: Nontaxable Sales*			wine gallon	
	Net Taxable Sales			io gallori	
3.	Still Wine:				
	Military				
	All Others			\$1.32 per	
	Less: Nontaxable Sales*			wine gallon	
	Net Taxable Sales			mino gainem	
4.	Cooler Beverages:				
	Military				
	All Others			\$ .82 per	
	Less: Nontaxable Sales*			wine gallon	
	Net Taxable Sales			mino gainem	
Э.	Beer (Other Than Draft):				
	Military				
	All Others			\$ .90 per	
	Less: Nontaxable Sales*  Net Taxable Sales			wine gallon	
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ο.	Beer (Draft):				
	MilitaryAll Others				
	Less: Nontaxable Sales*			\$ .51 per	
	Net Taxable Sales			wine gallon	
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<u>.</u>	Total Amount Due				e.
	Attach Schedule		\$		

### INSTRUCTIONS

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**. Act 89, SLH 1994, provides for an increase in the liquor tax rates each fiscal year from July 1, 1995, to July 1, 1998, for the 6 categories of liquor based on each wine gallon of liquor sold or used. Section 244D-4.5, HRS, relating to the periodic adjustment of the liquor tax rate by the amendment of the Hawaii Administrative Rules relating to the liquor tax rates was repealed.

#### SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS.

- In computing dollar volume, exclude federal and state excise taxes.
- Carry wine gallonages to six decimal places.
- Submit separate schedules for nontaxable sales and other adjustments. Each nontaxable sale should be separately shown by designating name of purchaser and applicable item number of nontaxable sales indicated below in parentheses before the names of the purchasers:
  - (1) Liquor sold by one permitee to another permitee;
  - (2) Liquor which under the Constitution and laws of the United States cannot be legally subjected to the tax imposed by this chapter so long as and to the extent to which the State is without power to impose the tax;
  - (3) Liquor sold for sacramental purposes or the use of liquor for sacramental purposes, or any liquor imported pursuant to section 281-33, HRS;
  - (4) Alcohol sold pursuant to section 281-37, HRS, to a person holding a purchase permit of prescription therefor, or any sale or use of alcohol, so purchased, for other than beverage purposes.
- Prepare this return for each month and file the original with the Department of Taxation in each taxation district whether
  or not any tax is due. Retain the duplicate of this return at licensed premises for verification by the Department's auditors.
- Return must be completed in every detail.
- Remittance for total tax due on line 7 or total amount on line 12 must accompany the return.
- Documentary evidence must be retained and be available to the Department of Taxation at licensed premises to support all entries on this return.
- Return must be signed by licensee or authorized agent.
- Penalty for late payment. The Hawaii law imposes a penalty of 5% per month (maximum 25%) on the amount of tax due
  for failure to file the return on time. Also, interest of 2/3 of 1% per month (8% annually) is imposed for failure to pay the tax
  on time.

**DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED TO CATEGORIZE LIQUORS.** As used in chapter 244D, HRS, as amended, "Distilled spirits" means an alcoholic beverage obtained by distillation of fermented agricultural products, and includes alcohol for beverage use, spirits of wine, whiskey, rum, brandy, and gin, including all dilutions and mixtures thereof, but does not include beer, draft beer, cooler beverage, or wine.

"Sparkling wine" means champagne and any other effervescent wine charged with more than 0.392 grams of carbon dioxide per 100 milliliters of wine, whether artificially or as a result of secondary fermentation of wine within the container.

"Still wine" means any nonsparkling wine and shall include those wines containing not more than 0.392 grams of carbon dioxide per 100 milliliters of wine.

"Cooler beverage" means either (1) a wine cooler containing wine and more than fifteen per cent added natural or artificial blending material, such as fruit juices, flavors, flavorings, or adjuncts, water (plain, carbonated, or sparkling), colorings, or preservatives, and which contains less than seven per cent of alcohol by volume; or (2) a malt beverage cooler containing beer and added natural or artificial blending material such as fruit juices, flavors, flavoring, colorings, or preservatives and which contain less than seven per cent of alcohol by volume.

"Beer" means any alcoholic beverage obtained by the fermentation or any infusion or decoction of barley, malt, hops, or any other similar product, or any combination thereof in water, and includes ale, porter, brown, stout, lager beer, small beer, and strong beer but does not include sake, known as Japanese rice wine, or cooler beverage.

"Draft beer" means beer in an individual container of seven gallons or more.